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Application No.: **10/033436** Group Art Unit: **3723**  
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Title: **BACKING AND ABRASIVE PRODUCT MADE WITH THE BACKING AND  
METHOD OF MAKING AND USING THE BACKING AND ABRASIVE  
PRODUCT**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action, mailed October 8, 2003, in the above-identified application.

This Amendment is believed to be timely submitted. It is believed that no fee is due; however, in the event a fee is required, please charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 13-3723. One copy of this sheet marked duplicate is also enclosed.

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